

**FISCAL MEMORANDUM**  
**HB 2329 – SB 2248**

May 7, 2007

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (007645):** Deletes all language of the original bill and authorizes the Department of Children's Services to train unlicensed personnel to assist children and youth within its facilities with the self-administration of medication.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:**

State Expenditures – Net Impact – Not Significant

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Currently, residential facility employees who are not licensed health care professionals are unable to assist in the administration of medications to individuals who cannot self-administer.
- DCS will not incur a significant increase in expenditures to train current personnel to administer medications to children and youth within its facilities. Such increase can be absorbed within existing resources.
- It is assumed that DCS will also incur an avoidance of increased expenditures for not having to hire trained, licensed health care professionals to administer the medications. Such is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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